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NOTICE

Reopening of Certain North-West States (COVID-19)

The reopening of the economies and various other aspects of the North-West States listed below has begun. For comprehensive information regarding each state's plan for reopening, please visit the links provided.

Alaska: On April 22, 2020, Governor Mike Dunleavy issued Health Mandate 016, for Phase 1 of the "Reopen Alaska Responsibly Plan". Phase 1 went into effect April 24. Specifics regarding the initiation of subsequent Phases 2 through 5 have yet to be released. Detailed information concerning the "Reopen Alaska Responsibly Plan" is available at https://covid19.alaska.gov/reopen/.

Idaho: On April 30, 2020, Governor Brad Little issued a Stay Healthy Order for the first reopening stage of the "Idaho Rebounds – Our Path to Prosperity" plan. Stage one went into effect May 1. Stages two through four will be implemented on an every other week schedule, provided there is no significant increase in cases of COVID-19. Detailed information concerning the Stay Healthy Order and the "Idaho Rebounds – Our Path to Prosperity" plan is available at https://coronavirus.idaho.gov/.

Montana: On April 22, 2020, Governor Steve Bullock issued a Directive for the phased reopening of Montana. The first phase went into effect April 26. The duration of the first and each successive phase of the plan will be evaluated in consultation with public health and emergency management professionals. Detailed information concerning the Governor's Directive is available at https://covid19.mt.gov/.

North Dakota: On April 29, 2020, Governor Doug Burgum issued Executive Order 2020-06.4, enabling a variety of businesses to reopen beginning May 1. The Governor also endorsed "ND Smart Restart", a set of guidelines developed to provide businesses with standard operating procedures and industry-specific rules for preventing the spread of coronavirus. Detailed information concerning

Executive Order 2020-06.4 and "ND Smart Restart" is available at https://ndresponse.gov/covid-19-resources.

South Dakota: On April 28, 2020, Governor Kristi Noem announced "South Dakota's Back to Normal Plan", which provides general guidelines and business operating procedures to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Detailed information concerning "South Dakota's Back to Normal Plan" is available at https://covid.sd.gov/docs/COVID_SDPlan_BackToNormal.pdf.

Wyoming: On April 28, 2020, Governor Mark Gordon issued three Public Health Orders allowing several types of businesses to reopen under specific operating conditions designed to minimize public health risk from COVID-19. Detailed information concerning the Public Health Orders is available at https://covid19.wyo.gov/governors-orders.

Questions or Issues

Inquiries concerning the impacts of COVID-19 and the associated responsive effort on the operation of foreign missions in the United States should be transmitted by electronic mail to OFM-EmergencyMgt@state.gov.

Resources

Compilation of circular diplomatic notes and notices released by OFM concerning COVID-19: https://www.state.gov/circular-notes-and-notices-covid-19/

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